

Chapter 2.10

CITY ATTORNEY

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2.10.010 Office created — Appointment. There is created the office of city attorney, an executive office of the city. The attorney shall be appointed by the mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the city council. (Ord. 8 1-16 § 1, 1980).

2.10.020 Use of special counsel by city. The mayor, with the consent of the city council, may from time to time retain an attorney to represent or advise the city on legal matters if no city attorney has been appointed; and he may likewise retain special counsel to advise or represent the city on special matters or to assist the city attorney. Cord. 8 1-16 § 2, 1980).

2.10.030 Suits and actions. The attorney shall prosecute or defend any and all suits or actions at law or equity to which the city may be a party, or in which it may be interested, or which may be brought against, or by, any officer of the city on behalf of the city, or in the capacity of such person as an officer of the city. (Ord. 8 1-16 § 3, 1980).

2.10.040 Enforcement of judgments or decrees. It shall be the duty of the attorney to see to the full enforcement of all judgments or decrees rendered or entered in favor of the city, and of all similar interlocutory orders. (Ord. 81-16 § 4, 1980).

2.10.050 Legal advice to city. The attorney shall be the legal advisor of the city, and shall render advice on all legal questions affecting the city, whenever requested to do so by any city official. Upon request by the mayor or by the city council, he shall reduce any such opinion to writing. (Ord. 81-16 § 5, 1980).

2.10.060 Completion of special assessment and condemnation proceedings. It shall be the duty of the attorney to see to the completion of all special assessment proceedings and condemnation proceedings. (Ord. 8 1-16 § 6, 1980).

2.10.070 Supervision of phraseology of ordinances and documents. It shall be the duty of the attorney to draft or supervise the phraseology of any contracts, leases or other documents or instruments, to which the city may be a party; and upon request by the city

council, to draft ordinances covering any subjects within the power of the city. (Ord. 8 1-16 § 7, 1980).

2.10.080 Compensation. The attorney shall receive such compensation as may be decided from time to time by the city council. In addition to the yearly salary provided as compensation, the city attorney shall be specially compensated for defending any and all lawsuits brought against the city or its officers or agencies; suits brought on behalf of the city other than for the enforcement of city ordinances; special assessment and condemnation proceedings, and annexations. (Ord. 81-16 § 8, 1980).